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BURNE, R. A. et al.

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10/574,730

Confirmation No. 5558

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For:

RECOMBINANT ALKALINIZING BACTERIA

## RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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Sir:

In the above-identified application, Applicants has received a Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371, mailed December 5, 2006, indicating that the oath was missing and a that the application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. In response, Applicant hereby submits the executed Declaration for the above-identified application signed by the inventor and the surcharge in the amount of \$65.00 required under 37 C.F.R. §1.492(e). The computer readable and paper forms of the Sequence Listing are submitted herewith, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant has also included a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 December 5, 2006. Applicant requests examination on the merits.

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# NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/06/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/06/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/06/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/06/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/06/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 04/06/2006
- Specification filed on 04/06/2006
- Claims filed on 04/06/2006
- Abstracts filed on 04/06/2006
- Drawings filed on 04/06/2006
- Paper nucleotide sequence listings filed on 04/06/2006.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Surcharge.
  - This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", an initial paper or compact disc copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment specifically directing its entry into the application. Applicant must also provide a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825 (d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821 (e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.
  - A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing" and a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

Applicant is cautioned that correction of the above items may cause the specification and drawings page count to exceed 100 pages. If the specification and drawings exceed 100 pages, applicant will need to submit the required application size fee.

For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:

- For Rules Interpretation, call (571) 272-0951
- For Patentin Software Program Help, call Patent EBC at 1-866-217-9197 or directly at 703-305-3028 / 703-308-6845 between the hours of 6 a.m. and 12 midnight, Monday through Friday, EST.
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ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number Complete if Known Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818). Application Number 10/574.730 EE TRANSMIT Filing Date **OCTOBER 7, 2004** For FY 2005 First Named Inventor BURNE, ROBERT A. **Examiner Name** UNASSIGNED Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 LINASSIGNED Art Unit TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 65.00 Attorney Docket No. 5853-454-1 **METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply) Credit Card None Other (please identify): Money Order Deposit Account Name: Akerman Senterfitt ✓ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 50-0951 For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply) Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee Charge fee(s) indicated below Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayments of fee(s) ✓ Credit any overpayments under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. **FEE CALCULATION** 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES **EXAMINATION FEES FILING FEES** SEARCH FEES **Small Entity Small Entity Small Entity** Fees Paid (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) **Application Type** Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) 200 300 500 100 Utility 150 250 130 Design 200 100 100 50 65 Plant 200 100 300 150 160 80 500 600 300 Reissue 300 150 250 200 0 0 100 Provisional **Small Entity** 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES Fee (\$) Fee (\$) **Fee Description** Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent 25 Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent 200 100 360 180 Multiple dependent claims **Multiple Dependent Claims** Fee Paid (\$) **Total Claims Extra Claims** Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$) - 20 or HP = HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20 Fee Paid (\$) **Extra Claims** Fee (\$) Indep. Claims - 3 or HP = HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s). Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$) Extra Sheets **Total Sheets** (round up to a whole number) x Fees Paid (\$) 4. OTHER FEE(S) Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount) 65.00 Other: EXECUTED DECLARATION

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